consiting Low Power Transmitter (LPT)/ Very Low Power Transmitter (VLPT) projects with DoT Towers.

(c) Himachal Pradesh.

(d) and (e) A statement is enclosed.

Statement

In Himachal Pradesh, 9 locations were selected. Details are given below:—

VLPTs	
Palampur	VLPT functioning at
Thanedar	DoT premises.
Bijli Mahadev	Decision for cositing the VLPT at DoT premises still exists, not yet installed.
Dalhousic	Not installed at DoT
Chunaghai	premises due to site constraints.
Ajhufort	DoT sharing VLPT site, VLPT functional.
Nehri, Tissa	Doordarshan has prop-
Ashapuri	osed to DoT authorities for co-setting VLPTs at DoT premises. Functioning may start within two months after receipt of DoT approval.

Representation in this regard have been received from time to time details are as under:—

Letter dated 5.5.1998 from President Himachal Vikas Congress regarding locations at Naina Devi, Chunaghai, Ashapuri, Bijli Madadev.

Letter dated 19.9.1998 from Shri Kashmir Singh Rana, Ex-MLA regarding location at Surani in Kangra District of Himachal Pradesh. No scheme at present for setting up of LPT/VLPT at Surani.

Location of VLPT, Naina Devi is yet to be sanctioned.

Offensive characterisation of Freedom Fighters in Film "JINNAH"

1334. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will" the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government arc aware of the offensive characterisation of Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and other freedom fighters besides distortion of history in a film "Jinnah" recently screened in London film festival and invited to a film festival in Kerala;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to review the film before it is screened in Kerala film festival; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI): (a) to (c) The Central Board of Film Certification has not received any application for certification of the film 'Jinnah' so far. According to the Chalachitra Academy of Kerala, which organises the International Film Festival of Kerala '99, the film 'Jinnah' has not been invited for screening in the Festival. The question of reviewing the film will arise only if it is received for screening in the Festival.

Stoppage of Telecast of Telugu Films

1335. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMA TION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the reasons for which the Hyderabad Doordarshan Satellite Chan nel (DD8) had stopped telecast of Telugu movies from November, 1, for some days?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI): Prasar Bharati has reported that due to financial constraints,